BA in Classics

Degree Program Description

The Classics major is a broad study of literature, covering a deep knowledge of the elements of language, grammar, and syntax, writing and reading skills, vocabulary building and experience with the foundational texts of the Western literary tradition that have influenced most all of subsequent literary and philosophical thought. The degree has four emphasis areas for students interested in the mythology, literature, history, and culture of ancient Greece and Rome. Three of these emphasis areas — Latin, Greek, and Classical Languages — focus on learning the ancient languages and introduce students to advanced readings in ancient Greek and Latin texts. A fourth emphasis area, Classical Humanities, is available to those students who would like to study the Greek and Latin Classics in translation. In the course of their degree, all classics majors achieve an integrated knowledge of the primary political, social, and military events and developments in the ancient Greek and Roman world. Students completing these majors will be well prepared for a variety of careers and for further study in graduate or other professional schools.

Major Program Requirements

BA major requirements are specified in the four major emphasis areas: Latin, Greek, Classical Languages, and Classical Humanities. These must be met in addition to college and university requirements (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofartsandscience/#undergraduatetext), including University general education (http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/ generaleducationrequirements).

Semester Plan

A sample plan of study has not been designed for this major. Students should contact the academic department for assistance with academic planning.